

Rockwood DIGEST

Six cars and a house were victims of an accident on Main Street North Thursday night. Fortunately no humans were injured in the strange incident. A 1975 Ford Station Wagon belonging to Edward Ford of R.R. 5, Rockwood was reportedly taken without the owner's permission and driven 500 feet striking five parked vehicles on both sides of the street and sliding into the Ritchie residence.

An estimated \$6,000 damage was done to vehicles and house. Charges have been laid against a young Acton woman.



A 1975 Ford Station wagon was involved in a joy ride in Rockwood recently, hitting five parked vehicles and a house.

A nasty barn fire took the lives of six horses, 75 sheep and an undetermined amount of poultry on the Bennett farm, situated on the Fourth Line of Eramosa, north of Highway 24 last week.

Rockwood Volunteer Fire Department answered the call when a neighbor reported seeing flames shooting out of the barn roof. The farm house was saved, but firefighters were unable to save the barn and an indoor riding arena.

Also lost in the blaze were 350 bales of hay, several bales of shavings, a truck and a motorcycle.

Cause is as yet unknown. Amount of damage is estimated at \$200,000.

Now to the good news:—

Ted and Shirley Freeman of Freeman Farm Systems have been awarded an outstanding dealer award by the Butler International Company.

The Freemans travelled recently to Illinois for the presentation.

Butler International are manufacturers of such farm equipment as silage distributor-unloaders, cattle feeding systems, manure handling systems, hot-dip galvanized barn equipment and ventilation systems.

The Freemans were chosen on the basis of sales and service to customers.

Our irascible auctioneer, Max Storey, informs me the auction for the estate of Mrs. Alice Doby held Saturday at the Anglican Parish Hall was a big success.

"It was an excellent turnout", he commented, estimating about 250 people attended.

The sale included household items and some antiques. Everything sold very well according to Max, who likes to hold sales in Villages and small towns. He says they are always better attended than those in larger areas.

He also praised the St. John's Anglican Church ladies for their substantial refreshment booth.

Eramosa Public School students are currently studying outdoor education subjects with their outdoor specialist Mr. A. Shortt. They are learning animal track identification and weather study. Maybe they'll be able to explain the unusual weather we've been experiencing this winter.

All school principals remind students to listen to CJOY, Guelph radio, on inclement days for reports of bus schedules.



Three-year-old Jaqueline Lister tries out the new ice rink at the Rockwood Ball Park. It's her first time on skates and she said she hardly fell at all.

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UCW elects officers, WI hears district pres.

by Winifred Smith
The United Church Women met for the first time in 1980 Jan. 8 in the basement of the church. New president, Mrs. Leo Jamieson welcomed all

and opened with a few words of encouragement at the beginning of a new year. Mrs. Eileen Brown gave the devotional. During the business session it was decided that future

meetings for this year would be held in the church basement. The program consisted of a film entitled "To See or Not to See." Mrs. Schwarz and Mrs. Volmar

served lunch and a social time followed over the tea cups.

The executive officers elected for 1980 were: past president, Willa Shortill; president Marg

Jamieson; treasurer Mrs. Brown; first vice, Mrs. Clark; secretary Mrs. Johnson.

The new officers were installed with Rev. Stiles officiating.

Mrs. Leo Jamieson was hostess for the January meeting of the W.I.

Lille Given and Betty Koperdaad were responsible for the English

Triple Christmas Cake and Shortbread for lunch. Mrs. Jamieson assisted with the serving of tea and coffee.

President Reggie Slessoritis opened the meeting by reading a timely little poem.

A Christmas greeting was sent to the W.I. from a member Frances Buckrell, who is spending the winter in Florida that was included in the correspondence. Alma Sinclair who is convener of resolutions was in charge of the program.

The current events and the motto were given by Winnie Smith, and Alma Sinclair chose Joy Adamson as the woman of the month. She introduced Guest Speaker Mrs. Doris Mc-

Nabb, Halton District President of W.I. Her main talk was on the International Year of the Child, which has just ended. She was well informed on the subject and enlightened the listeners on many facts. All seemed to enjoy her talk.

On behalf of those present, Mrs. Sinclair presented her with a small token of appreciation. Friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Morgan Modill will be pleased to hear she is recovering from surgery at St. Josephs Hospital, Guelph. She was operated for varicose veins in her legs on Friday of last week.

We were sorry to hear Mrs. Grace McEneaney has been confined to her home with a severe dose of the flu. She has been missed at the recent community activities. Hope she is on the mend and will soon be in circulation again.

Ebenezer

Hamlet meeting set for January 20

by Mrs. J. McLean
Next Sunday, January 20, Ebenezer plans their annual meeting. After the morning service, there will be a pot-luck lunch, to be followed by the business meeting.

Mr. Finley's topic was "God's Sweetest Mystery." Young people, who heard Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy

sing, "Ah, sweet mystery of life, at last I've found you" years ago, thought they had the whole meaning of life. The Bible says, "Canst thou by searching find out God?" Many mysteries are probed, but there are far more ahead. St. Paul spoke of seeing through a glass darkly. In his time, the

mirror would probably be made of polished brass, which would tarnish.

In ancient times, people were sure that the earth was flat. Now science produces realistic color photos of the planets. The earth revolving around the sun is a mere speck in the universe. The more

mysteries are solved, the more crop up. Spiritual life is not one discovery, once and for all. Heaven forbid, that anyone can come up with a clear-cut definition of God.

You cannot visualize all the universe. So God sends an inner, blessed assurance that there's a greater glory, that lies ahead. Jesus said, "My joy I give to you, that

your joy may be full." Congratulations to Mrs. Finley for winning the gold medal for the best record in selling real estate last year.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Allen and the family of the late Alf Allen. They were valued members of the church and community, before moving to Georgetown.

Eramosa sets tax

The 85 mill rate was moved by Deputy Reeve Dave Masson and seconded by councillor Ron Martin. Councillor John

McLeod, who seconded an earlier motion for a lower rate, also voted for the higher level. Councillor Murray Cox

tried to have a 75 mill rate set. His motion, the one seconded by McLeod, was defeated.

Deputy reeve Masson reminded council that it had to borrow some money last year after setting a rate of 70 mills. "I believe we should give consideration to 95 mills," he said.

During a general discussion of the interim levy Councillor Cox said: "It's a heck of a thing to throw on the taxpayers' necks."

"Well that one passed. I was kinda thinking of 80 myself," said reeve Bill Adsett. Then he went on to say: "You all know where we'll all be next year—out on our butts."

Rockwood bowling

Team standings at the beginnings of the third series are as follows:

Ivy Leaguers 7, The Slaves 7, The Lost Causes 7, Unpredictables 5, Guelphites 5, Henpecked 5, Lady Luck 2, Rovers 2, Latecomers 2, Carney's 0, Countrymen 0, Up & Downs 0.

Ladies over 500 for Tuesday Jan. 8 are: Sue Nightingale 664, Erke Van Driel 640, Bev Dohmer 581, Maureen Bolzon 554, Verna Blair 551, Nancy Gordon 550, Marg McKersie 533, Ivy Ritchie 532, Mary Ann Stokman 532, Jane Marison 527, Vera Donnell 521, Mary Lush 516.

Men over 600 for Tuesday Jan. 8 are: Bruce Dunk 685, Howard Dunk 651, Jim Dares 647, Dunc McPhedran 639, Gordon Ostrander 634, G. Tarzwell 627, Don McKersie 621, Greg Dales 615, Fred Vandervalk 608.

Results of games bowled January 8... Henpecked 5 pts., Two

highest bowlers: Don McKersie 621, Peter Busch 516.

The Slaves 7 pts., Erke Van Driel 640, Bev Dohmer 581.

Ivy Leaguers 7 pts., Sue Nightingale 664, Verna Blair 551.

Up and Downers 0 pts., Dunc Kingsbury 543, Mary Lush 516.

Latecomers 2 pts., Don Bultenham 509, Marjorie O'Kraika 485.

Carney's 0 pts., Bruce Dunk 685, Howard Dunk 651.

Guelphites 5 pts., Dunc McPhedran 639, G. Tarzwell 627.

Unpredictables 5 pts., Jim Dales 647, Greg Dales 615.

Lady Luck 2 pts., Pete Stokman 571, Paul Holman 555.

The Lost Causes 7 pts., Maureen Bolzon 554, Glen Roadknight 472.

Rovers 2 pts., Gordon Ostrander 634, Glen 528.

Countrymen 0 pts., Bert Gould 522, John Van Milligan 497.

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